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COMMENT OF THE DAY

The Only Hope

ANY move, which possesses reasonable prospects of successfully breaking the present Korean armistice impasse is to be welcomed, and the disclosure that India may make another attempt to persuade Peking to accept a formula relating to the prisoner of war issue commands interest. It is true that when the Chinese Communists adhered to the dictates of Moscow and rejected the previous Indian compromise plan the world felt completely disillusioned about the sincerity of Peking's oft-expressed desire for a solution to the armistice problem, and it is not easy to believe that where India failed before she will succeed a second time. It is, in fact, difficult to conceive a formula varying from that finally adopted by the United Nations General Assembly last year, which would comply with the fundamental principles enunciated by the UN for a settlement of the POW dispute, and at the same time satisfy the Communists' requirements. Further doubts are raised by the suggestion that Peking desires to treat the question of prisoners of war repatriation as part of the overall political considerations which are bound up with the future of Korea. The United Nations attitude has already been clearly stated, namely, that a political conference must follow conclusion of an armistice, and cannot be directly associated with truce negotiations. The United Nations are not likely to depart from this viewpoint; wherefore insistence on the part of the Chinese Communists to convert the POW issue into a political bone of contention must doom any third party endeavours to bring an armistice to a successful conclusion. In the final analysis, however, the present truce stalemate can only be resolved if and when the Peking regime displays willingness to make its own decisions independent of the Kremlin.

Army Desertions

THE disclosure by the US Army authorities that 46,000 soldiers have deserted since the start of the Korean War, and that 11,000 of them are still at large, has caused understandable concern in Congress. The desertion rate is less than half that of the middle years of the second world war, but the New York Herald-Tribune considers it still "serious enough to require explanation." One explanation is that penalties for desertion are now no light many would prefer them to being sent into combat in Korea. That was not the idea of the new code of military justice, which was designed to end some of the intolerable abuses of the old system. Some went "over the hill" to answer some real or imagined call of distress from the folks at home. To many Americans, the Korean war remains remote and unreal compared to everyday problems. The Army itself seems less concerned over the desertions than over the high rate of absences without leave. These involve soldiers who head for home when they get their shipping orders and return just after their regiments have sailed. New disciplinary procedures are being put into effect to stop this abuse. To a non-American observer it might seem worth while exploring another avenue, namely, the almost unique nature of this war, which is in no sense an old-fashioned "national" war. The trouble would then seem to be much less remarkable than it is.

Eisenhower To Present Administrative Blueprint Foreign And Domestic Policies

Washington, Jan. 26.

President Eisenhower will lay down a detailed blueprint of his Administration's plans and policies in a State of the Union address to a joint session of Congress at 5.30 p.m. GMT next Monday.

The President discussed the message with nine Republican Congressional leaders at an early morning two-hour conference today. One Republican said that the discussion covered a broad field—the Korean war, amendments to the Taft-Hartley Labour Law, possible extension of price-wage controls beyond their scheduled April 30 expiration date, foreign aid and tax and spending policy.

Mau Mau Trial KENYATTA GIVES EVIDENCE

Nairobi, Jan. 27.

Jomo Kenyatta, President of the African Union, who, with other Africans is on trial on charges of organising Mau Mau activities, today went into the witness box to conduct his own defence.

A submission by Kenyatta's lawyer that there was no case to answer had been ruled out by the presiding magistrate. Kenyatta was conducted through his evidence by an Indian lawyer, Dewan Chamallal. He said he had been unable to prepare a proper defence as all his files and documents had been confiscated.

Speaking in English, Kenyatta emphasised the fact that he had "no room in my heart for violence." He said he abhorred the use of force and that he was just an ordinary man trying to better the conditions of his people. Twice, during two hours of questioning, he was told that his answers to questions were becoming speeches. Kenyatta described himself as a "peace-loving" man, and self-educated, except for a period at a mission school.

Kenyatta said he began his political activity in 1922 and "realising my people required someone to help them, he left the government service and joined the Kenya Central Association in 1928."

He said he later founded the first African newspaper and later went to England. During his stay in England, between 1933 and 1939, he had sent a memorandum on African grievances to the government and had contacted Members of Parliament. He said he had joined the African Union on his return to Kenya, having first satisfied himself on its aims.

He said it was conducting a constitutional fight for African rights. —France-Press.

THOUSANDS ILL WITH FLU

Calif., Jan. 26. Influenza has struck down about 100,000 Calif. residents in every 20 — Egyptian health authorities said today. Dr. Mohammed Anwar, Director of Diseases at the Ministry of Public Health, said germs causing the outbreak were "totally different" from those at work in Europe. —Reuter.

It is understood that there are some differences of opinion on the course the new Republican administration should follow in some fields. But these differences were described as "minor."

Other Republican sources said that the President sought and got the advice of the legislative leaders on subjects to be covered in the message. House Speaker Joseph Martin Jr. announced the plans for the President's appearance after he and eight other top-ranking Republican House and Senate leaders spent two hours with the President at the White House covering outstanding matters to be included in the message.

Mr. Martin said that today's meeting was very "interesting." He added that the Senate Republican leaders "went over all of the material which will be treated by the President in his State of the Union message."

Senator Robert Taft said that the message has not yet been written and that what he and his colleagues received from the President was an outline of what Mr. Eisenhower plans to say.

Also discussed at today's meeting was the hitch in the nomination of Mr. Charles Wilson to be Defence Secretary. Senator Taft said that he would introduce today three of four amendments to the Taft-Hartley law but that they would not cover the whole field of proposed changes. Mr. Taft added that legislative leaders would meet with the President at 8.30 a.m. each Monday except next week. —United Press.

PRESIDENT'S COLD

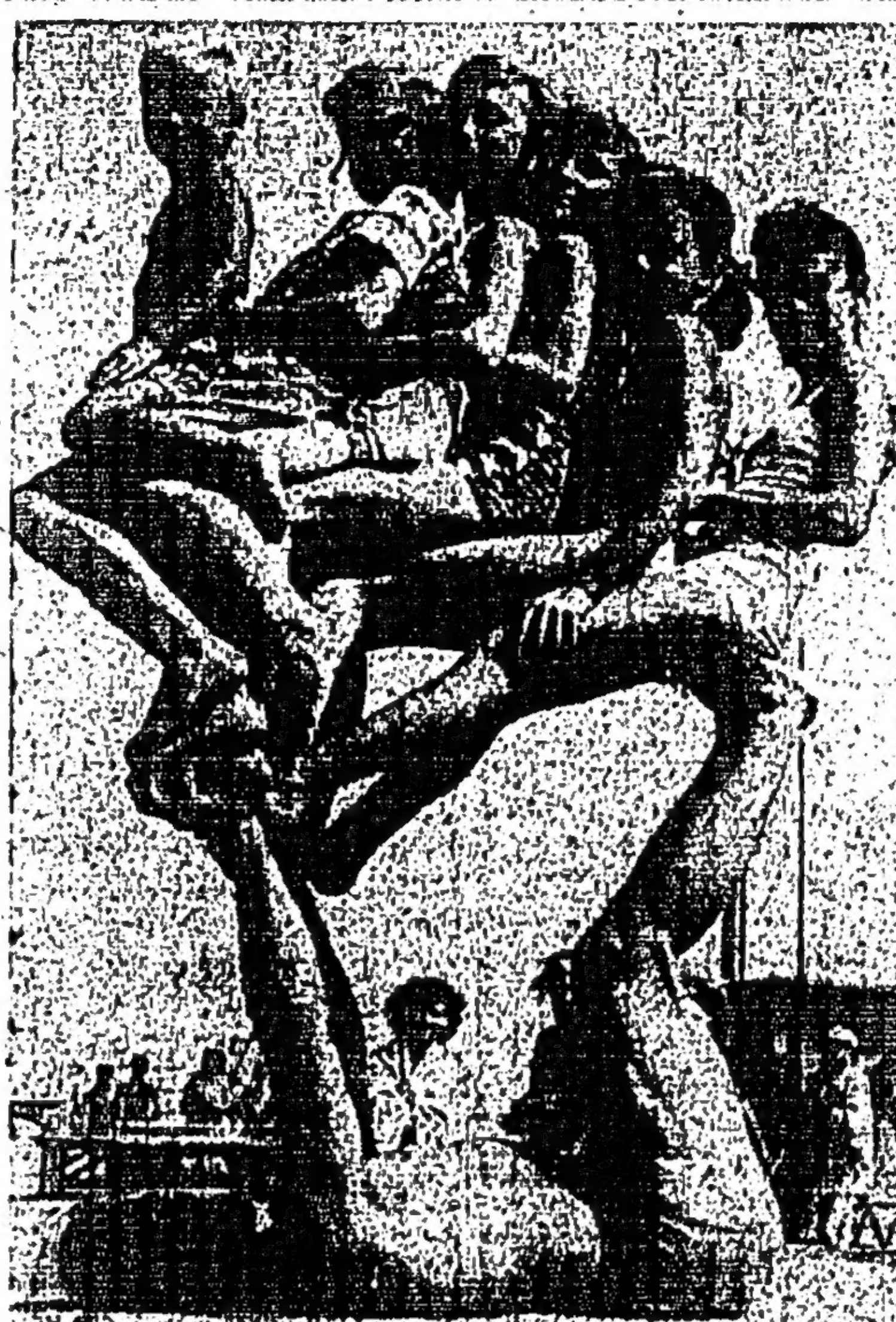
Washington, Jan. 26. President Eisenhower had to cancel all appointments scheduled for this afternoon at the White House because of a slight cold, a White House spokesman stated here today.

The President was confined to his room and was planning to prepare his message on the state of the Union, which he will send to Congress next Monday, the spokesman said. Earlier, Mrs. Eisenhower had been forced to cancel some of her activities owing to a chill. —France-Press.

Freighter Has Rough Trip

Pusan, Jan. 26. A battered freighter rested in Pusan harbour today after the roughest voyage in the 35 years' experience of the skipper, Captain L. S. Larsen of San Francisco. The SS Private Joe Manna, a Military Sea Transport Service vessel, limped into port on Saturday after a 21-day lashing by Pacific storms. The ship left Port Angeles, Washington, two days after Christmas and ran into heavy seas only two days out. Two airmen, Chief Mate Alex White and Hoyle John Schuchter, were critically injured in the voyage. They were taken to a UN hospital here. —Associated Press.

"Mighty Mites"



Monte Carlo (California). "Mighty Mites," a new and young corps of Amazons and Tarzans, ranging in age from four to twelve, these "Mighty Mites" threaten to take the play away from their elders. Russ Sanders, is one of the leading lights of the Beach and he has been teaching acrobatics to the youngsters. The lessons have become the No. 1 attraction of the Beach. Many a mother watches anxiously as her child climbs to the top of a human pyramid and poses nonchalantly for gawking tourists. —London Express.

Request For FBI To Investigate All Americans At UN

United Nations, Jan. 26.

Ambassador Henry Cabot Lodge presented his credentials to the Secretary-General, Mr. Trygve Lie, today and disclosed that he has requested a sweeping FBI investigation of all Americans at the United Nations.

Mr. Lodge told his first news conference as the new permanent United States representative here that his first official act was a letter to the chief of the FBI, Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, requesting an investigation of "all American employees of the United States mission to the United Nations and in the United Nations itself."

Mr. Lodge was appointed by President Eisenhower to succeed Ambassador Warren Austin. The appointment was confirmed by the Senate late last week. He plans to leave his post here on Friday and go to Washington to sit in on weekly Cabinet meetings.

Mr. Lodge's request for FBI action was in line with one of the former President Truman's last executive orders which requested a civil service investigation of all Americans at the United Nations in connection with Federal inquiries into alleged subversive activities by United States citizens employed by the world organization.

At the same time ex-President Truman's order issued while he was in office, requested the United Nations to forgo further findings of Americans pending the investigation.

Mr. Lodge said that his request for a full FBI investigation was "entirely consistent" with the civil service inquiry. He added that FBI findings would be submitted to the civil service authorities for evaluation.

"When the FBI makes an investigation," he said, "it does not reach conclusions. The Civil Service must make the conclusions."

The new Ambassador, who was defeated in November in a bid for re-election as Senator from Massachusetts, said that the FBI would not have to come to the United Nations and

MPs Seek To Save Youth From Being Hanged

London, Jan. 27.

Members of Parliament will stage a dramatic, eleventh-hour fight in the House of Commons today (Tuesday) to save the life of a 19-year-old boy due to be hanged on Wednesday morning for his part in the murder of a policeman.

The Labour member, Mr. Sydney Silverman, will ask for an immediate debate on the case of Derek Bentley, companion in crime to 16-year-old Christopher Craig, the gunman who fired the fatal shot.

NEW ATOMIC TESTS

Washington, Jan. 26.

The Atomic Energy Commission today announced that a new series of experiments will be started at the beginning of March at the Las Vegas testing grounds. The object of these experiments is to develop "new and improved nuclear devices," the announcement said.

The Commission did not give any further details, but competent quarters expressed the opinion that the term "new devices" referred to an atomic gun. They added that army, navy and air forces units, totaling 15,000 men, would take part in the experiments.

The commission stated, "The new series of tests is designed to advance the development of new and improved nuclear devices and will provide data on weapons performance essential to military and civil defense."

Shortly after publishing its communiqué on the Nevada tests, the Atomic Energy Commission announced that a new atomic factory, the first of its kind ever to be built in the United States, was to be erected in Illinois. Costing \$29,000,000, the factory would cover 6,000 acres and would be made solely for the assembly and installation of atomic explosives.

FACTORY'S FUNCTIONS

Statements made by members of the Atomic Energy Commission following the official announcement of the building of a new atomic factory in Illinois, have caused speculation here as to the exact nature of the factory's work.

After the announcement that the new factory would finish and assemble nuclear explosives, a spokesman said the factory would, in fact, neither produce nor even contain radioactive equipment, but would be devoted to the assembling of "more or less conventional explosives."

The spokesman refused to elaborate on this statement, merely adding that, if there was no connection between the conventional type of explosives and atomic weapons, the Atomic Energy Commission would not be bothered with the explosives. He also recalled the fact that the Commission was already concerned with the preparation of exceptionally high explosive products of the conventional type in its "Panther" factory in Texas. —France-Press.

GANDHI'S SON CHARGED

Johannesburg, Jan. 26.

Mahatma Gandhi, son of the late Mahatma Gandhi, was charged with seven other prisoners today in the Germiston Court with "inciting natives to break the law at Germiston location on December 8." Among the other charged was Patrick Duncan, son of a former Governor-General of South Africa.

Three women were among the accused. They were the authors, Winifred Mary Troup, the social anthropologist, Selma Stannerman and Trade Union leader, Betty Dulit. —France-Press.

London, Jan. 26.

Admiral Earl Mountbatten, Commander of the Allied Forces in the Mediterranean, tonight was promoted to the rank of full Admiral. —United Press.

Troops And Tribesmen In Clash

Teheran, Jan. 26. Tanks and armoured cars were rushed to the Shiraz area of South Persia today after a clash between troops and Razmi tribesmen in which 10 were reported killed and 20 injured, the newspaper littelat reported tonight. —Reuter.

Effort To Reach Oil Agreement

London, Jan. 26.

A fresh Anglo-American effort to write an oil settlement with Iranian Premier Mohammed Mossadeq was reported nearly completed tonight.

US Ambassador in Teheran, Mr. Loy Henderson is expected to meet Mossadeq within about a week. The Iranian Premier is awaiting answers to a long list of objections he filed after the detailed Anglo-American settlement plan was submitted a fortnight ago.

British informants expressed the view that Mossadeq's refusal to accept the plan as it stood signals a new bid by Iran to raise the price of a settlement in the hope that President Eisenhower's new administration will be ready to pay it.

The argument is that Mossadeq may figure President Eisenhower will do no less than former President Truman proposed to do in giving Iran aid and materials—and in getting Britain to make concessions.

At the new President and his advisers consider the threat of Communism in Iran to be increasing, Mossadeq may then believe America will be ready to pitch in with even more help.

In other words, Mossadeq stands to win better terms, and to lose nothing but time, if he decides to raise the ante.

Despite their suspicions of Mossadeq's apparent filibustering, the British now accept the American thesis that Mossadeq is the only man in Iran with whom they have any chance of coming to terms. —Associated Press.

Floods Ravaging East Ceylon

Colombo, Jan. 26.

Floods sweeping East Ceylon left hundreds homeless today and inundated 33,000 acres opened for rice cultivation some months ago in the Gal Oya Valley, where American engineers built a dam. —Associated Press.

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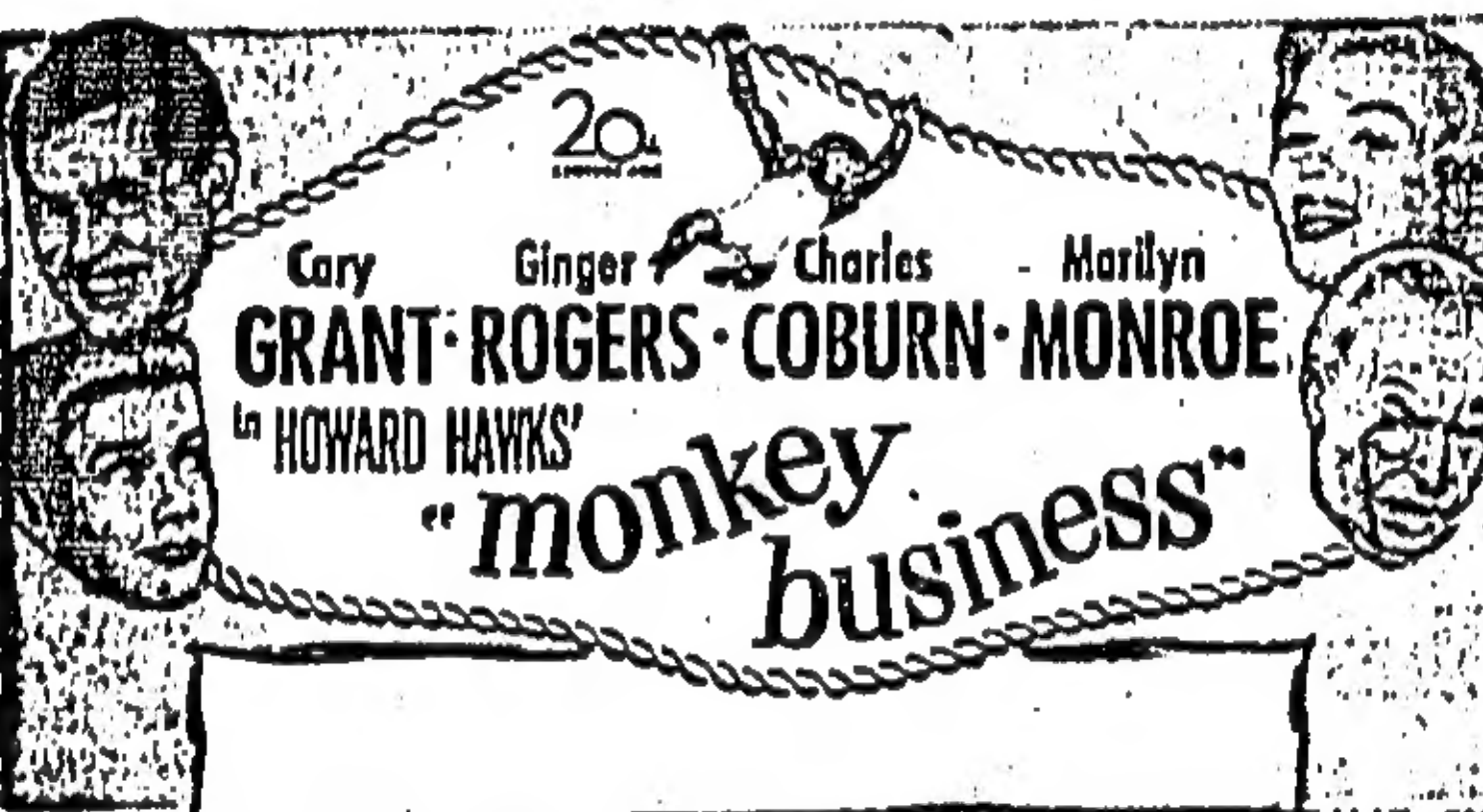
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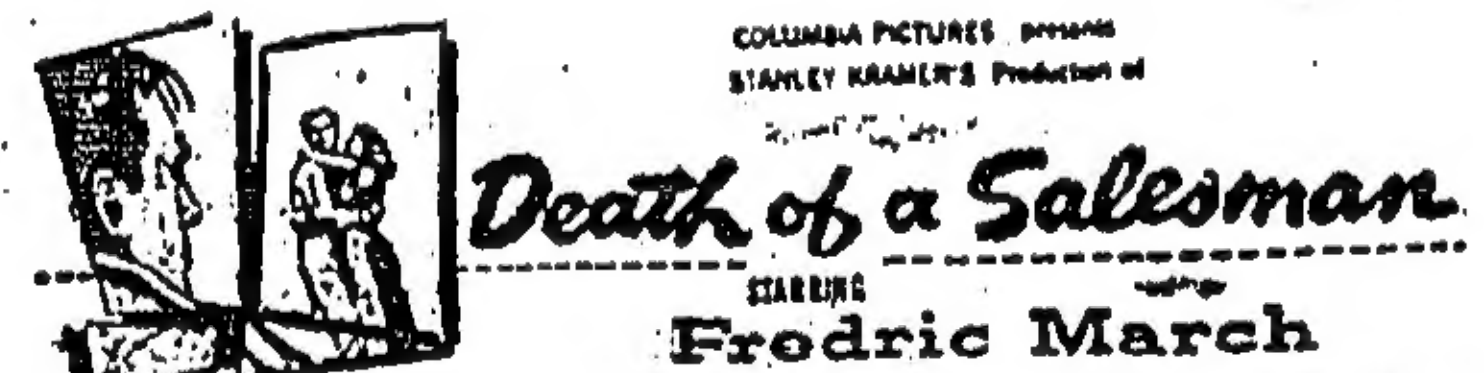
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US Steps Up Plane Output

Washington, Jan. 26. The American aircraft industry will produce 14,500 military planes this year — more than in 1951 and 1952 combined — Mundy I. Peale, President of Republic Aviation Corp., said today.

And sometime during the year, Mr. Peale told the American Legion Security Commission in a prepared address, the aircraft industry will become the world's largest employer of manufacturing workers — bigger even than steel or cars or textiles.

Mr. Peale said Russia will still out-produce the United States in planes this year but the United States will be far ahead in quality of aircraft and pilots.—Associated Press.

Canadians Warned: Spending On Arms Will Continue

Ottawa, Jan. 26. Canadians have been given a guarded warning that there is no end in sight for what was once their three-year, \$5,000,000,000-dollar (about £1,666,667,000) rearmament programme.

It was left to Mr. C. D. Howe, the Minister of Defence Production, to tell the nation that there is no foreseeable drop in defence spending ahead and that hopes of substantial tax reductions on this score are founded more on wishful thinking than reality.

Already the \$5,000,000,000-dollar programme has been extended to \$6,000,000,000. Dollars (over £2,000,000,000). The three years have become four. The cost of maintaining defences in a state of operational readiness will almost equal that of building them up to a reasonable level.

Mr. Howe's declaration has not been popular with the rank and file of his party who believe that the Liberals' chief hope of re-election depends on big tax cuts based on a substantial contraction in spending on defence.

What Mr. Howe said was this: "From now on, it is likely that miscellaneous programmes and defence construction projects will tend to play a lesser role, but it is expected that the output of hard goods such as aircraft, ships, guns, ammunition and electronics will continue to be very significant even after March 1954."

As long as the international situation remains uneasy, it will be necessary to keep up to date in all the fields where technological changes make for rapid obsolescence.

COFFEE SMUGGLING CHARGE

Aachen, Jan. 26. Fifty-three Germans, including six women, appeared in court here today to face charges of smuggling 85 tons of coffee from Belgium into West Germany between 1949 and 1951.

Most of the defendants live in the village of Muelzenich (population 1,325), which lies about 300 yards from the Belgian frontier.

Muelzenich is known here as the "El Dorado of coffee-smugglers." Nearly in ruins after the war, it suddenly came to life again after the currency reform of 1948.

Fine houses sprang up, shining new cars and motor cycles appeared on the streets, and furniture and radio dealers began to do a roaring trade.

And nearly every night the "coffee gangs" made daring dashes across the border.

When the defendants were arrested, nearly two years ago, Muelzenich had to withdraw from the local amateur football league competition because most of the team were in prison.

The men were later released. The trial, adjourned until Tuesday, is expected to last about ten days.—Reuter.

FRENCH APPROACH TO BONN

Bonn, Jan. 26. France today reopened the question of the Saar and the ratification of the European Army Treaty with West Germany for the first time since M. Rene Mayer's Government came into office.

M. Andre Francois-Poncet, the French High Commissioner, who has just returned from Paris, brought Chancellor Konrad Adenauer a personal letter from M. Georges Bidault, the new Foreign Minister.

An official French statement said that M. Francois-Poncet and Dr Adenauer examined the problems posed by the ratification of the European Army Treaty and the conditions under which discussions on the Saar could be formally resumed.

Political observers in Bonn said that Dr Adenauer had been waiting for a French initiative in both questions since developments had been held up by the fall of the French Government at Christmas time.

Dr Adenauer received his last communication on the Saar from M. Robert Schuman, the then Foreign Minister, just before M. Antoine Pinay's Government fell.—Reuter.

BREAKING DOWN THE BARRIERS

New Delhi, Jan. 26. Nearly 500 Communist Chinese girls from "cultural squads" attached to the Chinese Army have made "occupation marriages" with Tibetan youths, the newspaper Times of India reported today.

In a despatch from the Himalayan border town of Kalimpong, the paper said the occupation marriages are part of Chinese strategy for breaking down barriers between the invaders and the local population. Many of the husbands have joined the Chinese Army, the despatch said.—Associated Press.

Working For World Peace

Meeting Of Empire Premiers In June

London, Jan. 26. The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, said tonight that the Commonwealth Prime Ministers would make an effort to secure world peace when they meet here during the Coronation ceremonies.

Mr. Eden, speaking at an India Day meeting, said there would be further Commonwealth discussions when the Indian Prime Minister, Mr. Jawaharlal Nehru, and other Commonwealth Premiers arrived in June.

"We shall plan as we planned in the past and, more than that, we shall try for peace in the world," he said.

He wished India growing prosperity and influence throughout the world and success in her Commonwealth associations and her endeavours to promote peace and understanding.

India, he said, because of her geographical position, should influence China and Japan in the East and Turkey in the West. The well-being of this area was a matter of vital concern for the world, he added.

Complimenting Indian efforts in the United Nations, Mr. Eden continued:

"We work together for peace. Never has this been better illustrated than by the efforts made to end the fighting in Korea. The wise and conciliatory resolution of India should have been accepted by the overwhelming majority at the United Nations."—United Press.

British Envoy Sees Mr Dulles

Washington, Jan. 26. The new British Ambassador, Sir Roger Makins, today had an interview with the U.S. Secretary of State, Mr. John Foster Dulles, concerning the forthcoming visit to the United States of the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden.

Sir Roger said that the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. R. A. Butler, might accompany Mr. Eden, the object of whose visit would be to start preliminary economic conversations.

Mr. Dulles, said Sir Roger, declared that his Government was in no hurry to start the conversations.

Sir Roger said he could not say whether the Prime Minister, Mr. Winston Churchill, would be returning to the United States following his recent visit there.

The British Ambassador and Mr. Dulles also discussed the Iranian situation, which the Ambassador said appeared to be progressing.

Sir Roger added that the Far East was not discussed.—France-Press.

Truman Story Premature

Kansas City, Jan. 26. A firm denial that he had accepted an offer to publish his memoirs was made today by the former President, Mr. Harry Truman.

"I have made no negotiations for my memoirs," Mr. Truman said. "There are a number of my friends who are looking out for my interests in this matter but I have not negotiated any contract."

The denial came after an unidentified source "close to Mr. Truman" said that the former President had accepted the offer of a New York publishing firm. The reported agreement involved \$400,000 spread over a period of about five years.

"There are a great many things on my mind at present," Mr. Truman said on his arrival at his Kansas City office from his home in nearby Independence. "We just haven't had time to look into everything."

The former President closed his comment on the subject with the advice, "I am the one who will have to make the final decision."—United Press.

Whaling Station Up For Sale

Melbourne, Jan. 26. The Australian Government has not yet found a buyer for its whaling station at Carnarvon, off the West Australian coast, which Mr. John McEwen, Minister of Commerce and Agriculture, announced was for sale on November 6.

The Melbourne Herald, reporting this today, said the whaling station, which made a profit of £2400,000 (£2,400,000) in the 1951-52 season, had been offered to the West Australian Government or private interests.—Reuter.

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Armchair Fliers Bring Down Red Jet Planes

Seoul, Jan. 26.

The air ace who does not fly is one of modern science's most recent contributions to the Korean war.

The Fifth United States Air Force's armchair MIG-killers are Radar Controllers of the 502nd Tactical Control Group.

Working on a 24-hour shift at radar sites scattered over the whole of South Korea, these "backroom fliers" are the senses of the entire United Nations effort in the air, both offensive and defensive.

On their glowing electronic screens, the Radar Controllers can keep close watch on almost everything that happens in the air over North Korea. It would have to be a very lucky or a very low-flying Communist aircraft to take the air without showing up as a tell-tale "blip" on a Fifth Air Force radar screen.

Since the 502nd arrived in Korea in September 1950, its Radar Controllers have been responsible for the destruction of more than 40 MIGs by guiding United Nations jet interceptors to the Communist jets.

Controllers who cause the destruction of five MIGs, or more, are now classed by the unit as "Radar Aces". So far five officers have qualified, and others are getting near.

Top "Radar Ace" of the Korean War is Captain James I. Wheeler, of 510 Glenwood Street, Dayton, Ohio. Captain Wheeler, who has now returned to the United States, directed a total of 10 MIG kills—six of them in one day.

To become a Radar Ace, according to the experts, all you need is supreme concentration, an ability to make split-second decisions, a compartmentalized mind which can do four things at once, and a ton of experience.

STRATEGIC SITES

The Controllers work in strategically located sites in South Korea and the coastal islands. In six-hour shifts, they sit before a small electronic screen which is an "eye" seeing far into enemy territory.

The screen receives radar impulses sent from as far north as "Mig Alley," near the Yalu River.

When a radar wave hits something in the air, it is reflected back to the receiver and causes the tell-tale "blip" on the screen.

The Controller can tell the difference between the "blip" made by an Allied plane and one made by a Communist plane.

Within seconds of locating the Communist aircraft, the Controller orders the nearest Allied interceptors into the air and gives them bearing on to their target.

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No matter what the Communist planes do, their movements are recorded on the radar screen. The Radar Controller is in constant touch with the Flight Leader of the Allied jets and can give him a new bearing

Memorial Service For Danish Queen



Count Reventlow, the Danish Ambassador, shakes hands at the Danish Embassy in London with the Countess of Alhono after a memorial service in memory of Queen Alexandrine of Denmark. In the background are Mr. Frederik Mansfield and his wife. Mr. Mansfield, before settling in England some years ago, was Prince Friedrich von Preussen, grandson of the ex-Kaiser of Germany.—Express Photo.

Indian Communist Party To Launch New Drive

Bombay, Jan. 26.

The Indian Communists are not satisfied with the progress they have been making and are going to shake up their organisation.

This was revealed here by a member of the Central Committee just as the Prime Minister, Mr. Jawaharlal Nehru, warned his people against the "disruptive and violent methods" of the Communists.

The Communists' plans apparently are to capitalise on the economic situation here which they feel has been going downhill—and to their benefit—since the end of British rule.

On the other hand, Mr. Nehru has started his people on a

U.S. Jet Said Shot Down In Manchuria

London, Jan. 26.

The Communist New China News Agency reported tonight that an American military plane was shot down by the Chinese Air Force in North-east China on January 23.

The agency said the plane, an F-80 Sabre jet fighter, was shot down in Liaoning Province, Manchuria.

The pilot, Edwin Lewis Heller, who baled out when his plane was hit, was captured.

The dispatch said four F-80s were "destroyed" over Liaoning Province on the morning of January 23, from the direction of Ullin in Korea.

When one was shot down the rest withdrew. The agency said this was the second plane brought down over Chinese territory during the last fortnight.—Reuter.

RHEE GETS MAJORITY AT LAST

Centre Group To Give Support

Pusan, Jan. 26.

The 21-man middle-of-the-road group in South Korea's National Assembly today announced that it would join President Syngman Rhee's 73-strong Liberal Party, giving Mr. Rhee's supporters their first legislative majority in four years.

Their leader today announced they would formally join the Liberal next month.

But 80 anti-Rhee members, including the official Opposition Democratic Nationalists of 30 members, are today further solidifying their front.

A rift battle is expected when the National Assembly meets to elect the chairman of 13 sub-committees in three days' time.

The South Korean Finance Minister, Mr. Park Too Chin, today denied as "utterly groundless" reports that the Korean won might be further devalued.

The present official exchange rate of the won is 6,000 to the United States dollar. On the black market it is selling for about 20,000 won to the dollar.

The Finance Minister said the Government intended to step up its campaign to stop black market dealings in dollars.—Reuter.

More Flee E. Germany

Berlin, Jan. 26.

About 200 East German refugees registered today with the West Berlin authorities—the largest number ever recorded in a day.

Their arrival brought the month's total to 10,000. Most of them were labourers and farmers.

There were also some party and Government officials.

Two high officials of the East German Ministry of Trade and Supply were among the refugees today.

They were Herr Bauer and Egon Neumann. Their former chief, the Trade and Supply Minister, Dr. Karl Hamann, was arrested last month and accused of having sabotaged the country's supply system.—Reuter.

DECISIVE VOTE FOR NEW U.S. DEFENCE CHIEF

"IKE'S" CABINET COMPLETED

Washington, Jan. 26.

The Senate today overwhelmingly confirmed Mr. Charles E. Wilson's appointment as Defence Secretary despite Democratic warnings that the appointment of the former auto executive might prove "quite embarrassing" to President Eisenhower.

The vote completed the Eisenhower Cabinet and ended the new President's first brush with Congress.

Another loomed, however, over the stockholdings of two of Mr. Wilson's top aides, the Army and Air Force Secretaries.

The men involved were Robert Stevens, Army Secretary-designate, and Harold Talbot, prospective Air Secretary.

The vote was 77 for Mr. Wilson's confirmation to six against. Voting against Mr. Wilson were Senators Olin Johnston, Harley Kilgore, Herbert Lehman, Wayne Morse, Matthew Neely and Willis Smith. Voting for him were 47 Republicans and 30 Democrats.

Just before the vote, Senator Morse, who had led the fight against Mr. Wilson, fainted in the Senate lobby but revived in time to cast his vote against the nominee.

PUT ASIDE DOUBTS
Senator Paul Douglas, Democrat of Illinois, said he had put aside "doubts and reservations" to vote for Mr. Wilson because he did not want to be accused of trying to "hamstring" the new Administration.

Mr. Wilson will take over the Defence Department as soon as he is sworn in, probably tomorrow. His nomination approval was delayed by the historic fight over his stockholdings in General Motors, which he had headed.

Approval came after the Senate had received assurances that he had "cleared himself" of all legal objections to his appointment but not before some Senators had expressed "strong misgivings" about the wisdom of President Eisenhower's choice.—United Press.

NOT DECIDED
Washington, Jan. 26.

Republican leaders discussed with President Dwight D. Eisenhower today the opposition which has cropped up in the Senate to his selections to head the Army and Air Force Departments.

Talking with newsmen afterward, they left open the question whether—Mr. Eisenhower would go ahead with the proposed nominations of Robert T. B. Stevens to be Army Secretary and Harold Talbot to be Air Secretary.

Asked directly whether Mr. Eisenhower still plans to submit the nominations to the Senate, Senator Robert A. Taft (Republican, Ohio) replied: "Well, he hasn't sent them up (to the

Senate). It is up to him to decide."

Mr. Stevens and Mr. Talbot have run into the same criticism which was raised against Mr. Charles E. Wilson, former President of General Motors who was nominated to be Secretary of Defence. This is that they hold a substantial interest in firms which are defence contractors.—Associated Press.

NEW COMMITTEE

Washington, Jan. 26.

President Eisenhower today appointed the eight members of the Office of Cold War Psychological Strategy.

An announcement stated that the committee would survey and evaluate the Government's information and related policies and activities with particular reference to international relations and national security.

In a statement handed to newsmen, President Eisenhower said he had been convinced for a long time that a united and dynamic effort in this field was essential for the security of the United States and of other peoples in the community of free nations.

The chairman of the committee will be William Jackson, a New York banker. Other members include C. D. Jackson, director of the well-known periodical "Fortune," and also of the "Time" group, Abbott Washburn, who is to be the committee's executive secretary, and Robert Cutler, one of President Eisenhower's top administrative assistants.

The President asked all agencies to co-operate with the new committee.—France-Press.

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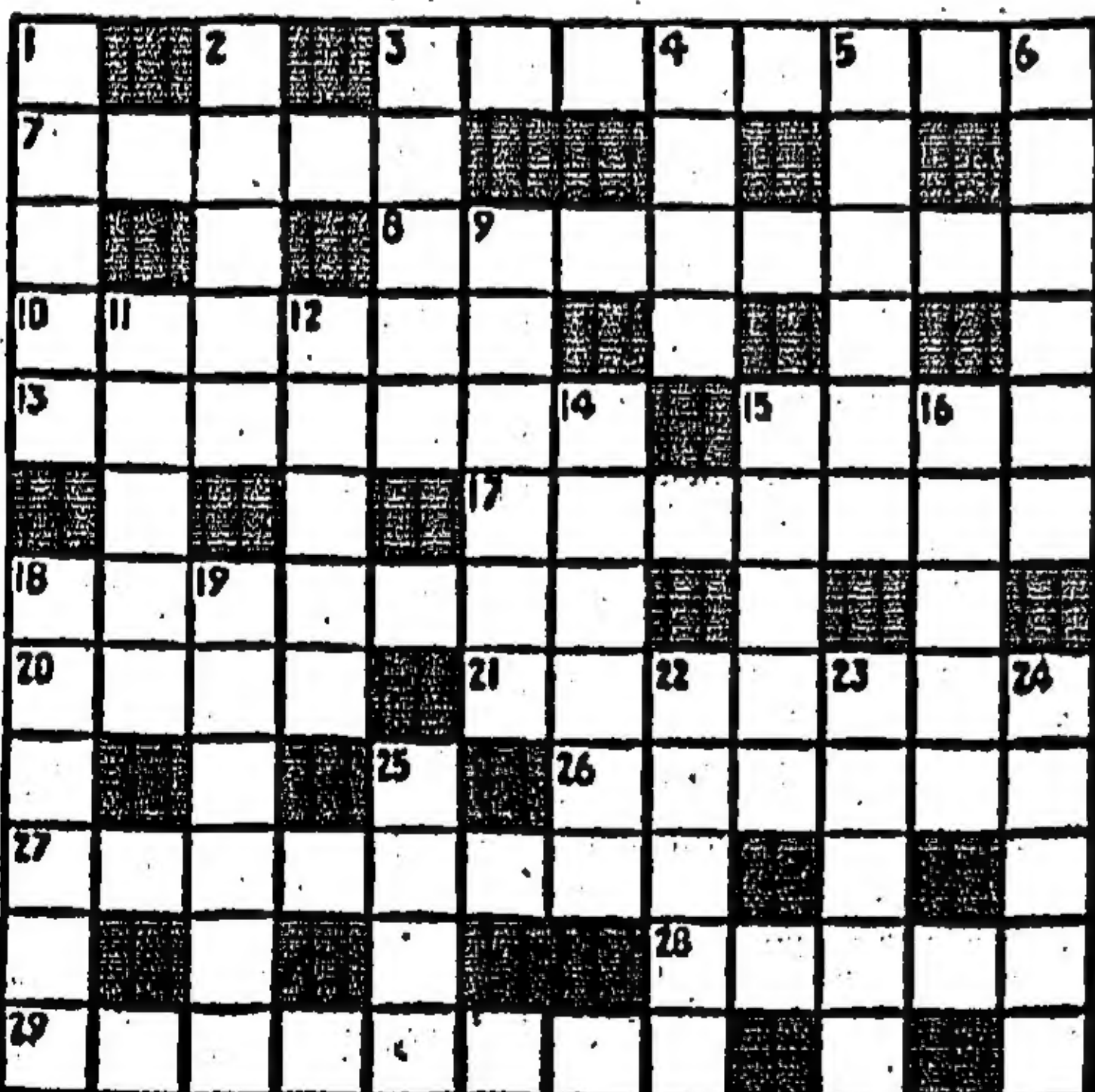
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A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- Beaten severely (8).
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 - South-west remarks (10).
 - Goes away suddenly (7).
 - Top-liner (4).
 - Ingredient (7).
 - Protection (7).
 - Dried up (4).
 - Lessons (7).
 - Outcast (8).
 - Royal lady (8).
 - Trunk (10).
 - Dismally (8).
- DOWN**
- Trample (5).
 - One of great fortitude (10).
 - Tripal emblem (5).
 - Towards (4).
 - Bring into being (10).
 - Wilderness (5).
 - Appearance (6).
 - Drain (5).
 - Challenged (5).
 - Slumbers (5).
 - Daub (5).
 - Moistened (6).
 - Having a limit (6).
 - Unpleasant (5).
 - Saffron (5).
 - Fire (5).
 - Mink of a wound (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD: Across: 1 Result, 5 Doods, 8 Orisel, 9 Minute, 10 Lucid, 11 Saved, 12 Dais, 13 Tests, 16 Model, 18 Leaned, 20 Seers, 22 Ogre, 23 Attic, 25 Valse, 26 Dotted, 27 Lured, 28 Sluts, 29 Deford. Down: 1 Rembles, 2 Sensible, 3 Lote, 4 Treason, 6 Defiled, 8 Eludes, 7 Drift, 14 Stagnate, 16 Splendid, 18 Masters, 17 Decided, 19 Braced, 21 Ready, 24 Code.

Rita Gets Divorce In Reno

Reno, Jan. 26.

The famous Hollywood film star, Rita Hayworth, was today granted a divorce in the court here against her husband, Prince Aly Khan, son of the fabulous Aga Khan. The entire hearing of the petition lasted only 17 minutes.

The court gave no judgment on alimony or on payment for the education of the couple's daughter, Yasmin.

Seventeen minutes is an unusually long period for a Nevada divorce—five minutes being the average time.

The "long" session was taken up, it is understood, by proving that Rita Hayworth had spent the required six weeks in Reno in 1951.

Immediately after the decree had been pronounced, little Yasmin climbed on to the judge's knee.

He asked her her name and she replied: "My name is Yasmin Khan."

Rita refused to comment on the decree after the case ended.—France-Press.

Study Of Fish In Pacific

New Haven, Jan. 26.

Yale University announced today that it will send a floating laboratory into the Pacific Ocean to study rare fish types.

The scientific expedition will leave Guayaquil, Ecuador, on March 1. It will be headed by Professor Daniel Merriam, Director of Yale's Bingham Oceanographic Laboratory, who said: "We hope to contribute greatly to the knowledge of the so-called big game fish of the Ocean. We know less than

nothing about most of the oceanic game fish. Until these matters are understood there is no basis for intelligent utilization of these fish as food or for conservation of intensively hunted species."

This will be the third such expedition sent by Yale Laboratory in the last five years. In 1948 waters around New Zealand were investigated and two years later a second group surveyed the waters off East Africa.—United Press.

Britain's Share

London, Jan. 26.

Britain intends to give £500,000 this year to the United Nations programme of technical assistance to under-developed countries. Mr. Selwyn Lloyd, Minister of State, said in reply to a question in the House of Commons today.—Reuter.

AMBITIOUS PLANS

Communist Party leaders here have outlined an ambitious programme designed to put their party into a leading position on a national scale.

This programme will include appeals not only to the middle classes but also to the small capitalists by charging that "foreign business" is trying to snuff out the smaller Indian enterprises.

The Communists will soon launch a big membership drive while at the same time "cleaning out" those who are "unreclaimable." Observers believe that the success of the drive will depend on the trend of the economic situation.

However, qualified Indian sources emphasize that most Indians are not by nature inclined toward Communism. Their religious training is toward love, friendship and non-violence. They feel that Communism tends toward violence and therefore violates the way of life they want to follow.

The official announced membership of the Indian Communist Party stands at only 200,000.—United Press.

RUSSIAN AIR STRENGTH

Washington, Jan. 26.

The American Air Force Deputy Chief of Staff, General Nathan Twining, said today before the National Security Committee of the American Legion that the Soviet Union has about 1,000 long-range bombers.

The Soviet planes were of the B-29 type but that the Soviet Government was planning to replace these machines by jet bombers, he said.

The Communists were building bombers as fast as they could in Eastern Europe and China. He indicated that America's present air force consisted of 17,000 aircraft, of which about half were obsolete and only about one-third "powered" by jet engines.—France-Press.

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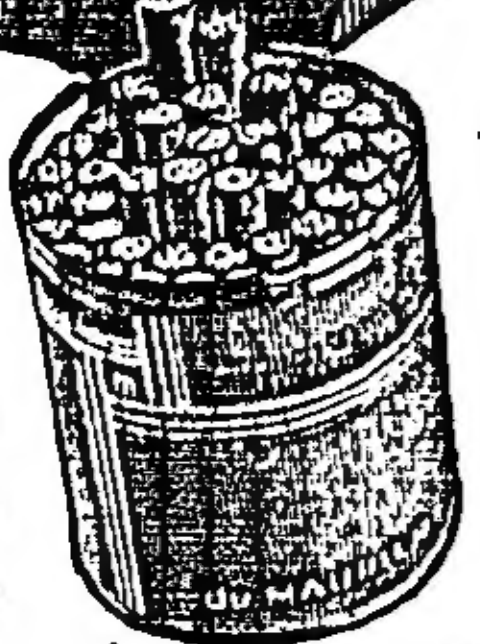
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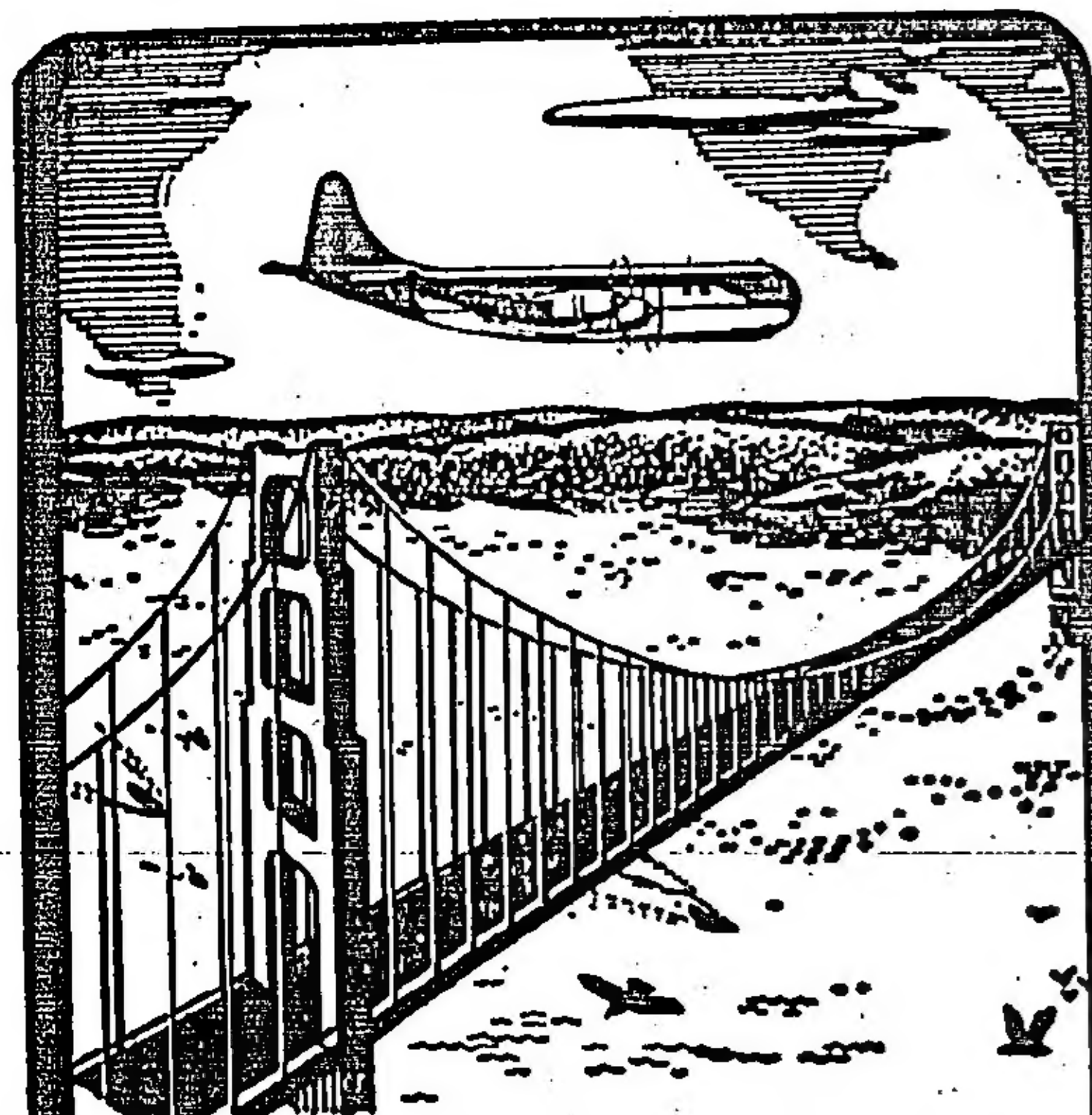
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Even a chimney-pot is a thing of beauty to George Forster, who can see for the first time in 13 years

THE HAPPIEST FAMILY IN BRITAIN

By
Terence
Feely

ON Christmas morning eight-year-old Ronald Forster and his six-year-old brother, James, delved feverishly into their stockings at their home in Loughborough, Leicestershire.

The flame of joy that lit a million young faces that morning kindled across their cheeks.

It warmed, beyond his power to tell, the eager heart of their father, 42-year-old Mr. George Forster, who was watching his sons' delight for the first time in his life.

For Mr. Forster, totally blind for 13 years, had just had his sight restored.

"Ever since they were born I had longed to see that Christmas morning expression on the faces of my sons," Mr. Forster told me.

Up to a few weeks ago he had never seen the boys, who clutched his hands, sat on his knee, fought him playfully around the hearth, the boys who looked like him. They were

born into the light, while he remained in the dark.

For almost the whole of his married life he has not seen his wife—the "curtains" came down finally only 18 months after his marriage.

Now a corneal graft operation has given him a window on the world again.

And in the Forster house there is the kind of joy that is like a bubbling spring in the throat, waiting for any excuse to well out in laughter.

"What do you think about your father getting his sight back?" I asked young Ronald. "It's terrific," he said, "only he can see the things we get up to now." He chuckled happily as his father made a playful grab for him.

And what does a loving wife look like after 13 years? "You're not too bad," grinned Mr. Forster, when they stripped the bandages from his face.

"As for me, I was too trembly to say anything," said 41-year-old Mrs. Forster.

The bright glow of the greeting cards on the sideboard, the red, blue and golden garlands on the crisp green tree, the brilliance of his sons' eyes and the warm crimson of the fire—these are the things that thrilled the man-who-could-see-again at Christmas.

"I'm waiting to see the full glory of a chrysanthemum in summer," said Mr. Forster. "I'm going to get out into that garden and make things grow, things I can see and enjoy."

Much of his time he spends at the window, with the avocet gaze of a child, feeding on sights—just ordinary sights.

"I'm not madly keen to see television," he told me.

"Just let me look at people and houses and chimney pots and dogs, and at my wife and children."

And as you talk with Mr. Forster you realize that he has learned something from his blindness which we have forgotten—the art of looking and the pleasure of it.

BY ROYAL APPOINTMENT

The new coats-of-arms go up on London shop-fronts
...but the arms of the Queen must wait until 1955

by JOHN
WATERMAN

WITHIN the next few weeks on several London shopfronts will appear bright new Royal coats-of-arms, and the exclusive label, "By Appointment."

They will belong to the latest additions just announced to the list of shopkeepers serving the Royal Family entitled to a Royal Warrant. Among the additions are an ice firm, a photographer, an antique dealer, a picture restorer and a petroleum firm. But none of them will put up the arms of the Queen.

To be given the Queen's Warrant, a firm must supply goods regularly to her as sovereign for at least three years. That means that even if they were her tradesmen when she was Princess Elizabeth three years ago they could not receive the Royal Warrant now. So the first coats-of-arms of the Queen will not appear on shopfronts until February 1955, at least—the third anniversary of the accession.

If the Queen grants no warrants, who, then, are the 1,000 odd holders who make up the new list? More than half of them are "By Appointment" in the late King George VI. They range from small local keepers in Windsor to the heads of large national firms. They purvey everything from the smallest domestic item—Worcester sauce, shoe polish and ammonia—to agricultural machinery and motor cars.

Has 162

MANY are concerned with farming; there is also a supplier of Highland Dress accessories in Oban, a Norfolk record thresher, a Nottingham racehorse player, and a maker of racing colours in Dublin.

The new Royal Warrants are granted by Queen Mary—bringing her total to 162—and by Elizabeth, the Queen Mother, whose patronage extends to 67.

How have the newcomers won admission to this elite body of shopkeepers and principals of business houses? It could have been in one of two ways. Either their warrants may have been granted spontaneously by Queen Mary or the Queen Mother—or the firms may have applied for the privilege.

A shop or business that has completed the required three years of service, to the Royal Household, can apply for its warrant to be considered by a special committee that sits only once a year.

It consists of high officials of the Household. Their recommendations are subject to confirmation by the Sovereign.

If approved the new names appear in a supplement to the London Gazette in the following January. The lists are signed by Lord Tryon, Keeper of the Privy Purse, Lord Sarnborough, the Lord Chamberlain, Lord Altrick, Lord Chamberlain to the Queen Mother, or by Captain Lord Claud Hamilton, Comptroller to Queen Mary's Household.

The Ice Men

ONE addition to Queen Mary's list of warrant holders who applied in this way are Left-wing Ltd., the ice-suppliers. They had previously held warrants to King George V and the Duke of Windsor when he was Prince of Wales. These warrants lapsed last year.

"So," says a representative of the firm, "we decided to apply for Queen Mary's warrant—we have supplied her ice for a good many years."

The warrant was granted without any trouble. Now the ice-firm just have to have a new coat-of-arms made. "We hope," they say, "this will be ready for the Coronation."

What do shopkeepers think when they are granted the coveted right of a Royal Warrant? Mr. Froeman and Son, the picture restorers, whose name appears this year for the first time in Queen Mary's list are shy of commenting: "We think one should say nothing about it. It is better to be discreet."

"Some warrant-holders like to plaster their windows with coats-of-arms; we are only altering our bill-headings."

"But, of course, it is a great honour."

Penalty: £20

IT is so much of an honour in fact, that many tradesmen are under the impression that if Royalty make an odd visit to their shop or even make purchases at intervals, they are entitled to put up the "By Appointment" sign. This is not so.

Royal Arms. Maximum penalty is £20.

This year, for the first time, there are no warrant holders under the patronage of "the late Queen Victoria." But two firms still hold warrants "to the late King Edward VII"—a firm of Brighton butchers and a vacuum cleaner company. There are also nine under the patronage of "the late Queen Alexandra"—three of them nurserymen.

In the late King George VI's list appear the firm of Tull and Son, of Windsor. They have held the longest continuous warrant. They were first granted it by George IV. They have baked the royal bread for 150 years.

But the granting of Royal Warrants goes back farther than that. It is said to have begun in the reign of Elizabeth I. There is certainly a story that Nell Gwynn asked Charles II to grant warrants to her old friends, the shopkeepers in Covent Garden.

George V took over an exotic list of warrants from Edward VII. They included a maker of lamprey pies, and Eugene Sandow, the famous Edwardian strong man. He was named as the King's "minister of physical culture." The present list of 139 names under the patronage of "the late King George V" is as colourful as it is. It includes baggage-makers in Glasgow, a taxidermist in Ballislaw, a supplier of whisky, a supplier of Edinburgh rock, a Bond Street furniture maker, and a firm of firework-makers.

Prestige Value

A STORY told of a firm given patronage under King George V. The firm produced Corvusina D.G. This puzzled everyone. Corvusina was a liquid seed dressing for wheat, oats and barley. But what did D.G. stand for? It turned out that D.G. was an unofficial addition on the Warrant Holders list by a Royal Household official. It stood for "Damned Good."

The Duke of Windsor, as Prince of Wales, granted patronage to many firms overseas. Still able to embellish their establishments with his Prince of Wales feathers and his Duden motto are a Nairobi outfitter, a firm of brocade and silk manufacturers in Benares, and a cigarette firm in Malta.

Will the Queen's list, when she has one, be as colourful as these? There is little doubt that it will be a colourful list for what everyone hopes will be a colourful reign.

There is little doubt, too, that competition will grow keener and keener to receive the Royal Warrant when the time comes. It will be an honour costing next to nothing which will reap a splendid dividend in Elizabethan prestige.



"I'm waiting to see the full glory of a chrysanthemum in summer."

His blindness has taught him other things, too. It has taught him, in the first place, patience.

It was six years ago that he learned, through a lecture by a fellow member of the Eye Hospital, Harold Webber, an oculist—that his condition was curable. He got in touch with hospitals.

But it was difficult. For the operation, a "living" eye was needed. Such an eye can only be obtained, after death, from the body of a person who has willingly donated it during his life and with the approval of his executors.

For six years Mr. Forster waited. He spent eight-and-a-half months in hospitals.

"Always the eye was unavailable," he told me. "In the end I almost gave up hope and resigned myself to a life of blindness."

It was then that he learned the second big lesson that blindness had to teach him—the lesson of kind hearts and gentle people.

He had begun to learn the lesson when his arm, which had taken him on during the wartime shortage of labour, kept him on after the war.

His union co-operated and helped him to carry on with his own first-class job of work.

He had learned, too, from the friendliness and humanity of his mates, who guided him to and from his work, each taking George Forster as a little bit of his own responsibility.

And from the Blind Institute in London, which sent him braille tools free.

The management of his factory, too, made him feel welcome and wanted.

It was in the darkest hour of his darkened life, when he was

ready to despair, that he learned that lesson fully, completely and richly.

It was Miss Gibbs, Welfare Officer of the factory, who made the first move. She urged the firm to back George's losing battle for sight, and she gave the facts to Dr. Mont Follick, Loughborough's M.P.

Dr. Follick got in touch with hospitals and with the "Eye Bank." And, suddenly, there was hope again in the life of George Forster.

It came first in a letter telling him that surgeons were ready, at long last, to operate.

Six weeks later he was able to read that letter for himself.

Out of the fullness of his heart he sent a letter to Dr. Follick. Part of it reads: "I wish to thank, through you, all those who give their eyes..."

"I am certain that if people could realise the joy and happiness it has brought to my family and to myself, more would come forward and bequeath their eyes for this wonderful operation."

Compelling words these, for George Forster owes his sight to the "Eye Bank."

Dr. Follick has bequeathed his eyes; Mrs. Forster will do the same.

As I left him, George Forster was looking through the window again.

He was looking forward to three things: To the glamour and gloss of an unfamiliar world, To meeting the faces that go with the voices he knows so well.

And to seeing—really seeing—in the New Year for the first time in 13 years, a New Year full of the wonders of vision...

BOGART MAKES A MILLION

By Logan Gourlay

London, Jan. 26.
HUMPHREY Bogart ("I'm always called Bogie") came to London last week with a bank book which shows he is now a dollar millionaire, three pieces of plain baggage which do not advertise his riches—and several strands of new hair on his famous head.

Where did he get the million?

Over lunch (avocado pear, dressed crab, ham and eggs) Bogart told me: "I've been making money. With the help of that film 'African Queen,' director John Huston, and Katharine Hepburn. The film is making a fortune in America—about 5,000,000 dollars—and I have a cut of the profits."

Where did 52-year-old Bogart get the new hair?

"I owe it, I guess, to vitamins and massage—lots of massage."

He rubbed the top of his head, now more thickly thatched than when I saw him in Hollywood last year, and pointed to me: "It's unfair that a guy like you should have hair when you don't need it—you're not an actor."

More Respect

I reminded him actors could wear wigs.

Said Bogart: "Then characters like you on newspapers make fun of us and give the public a lead. I was once in a night club in New York when a woman walked in, stared at me, and said: 'Look he has got some hair...'"

What has the new hair and money brought Bogart?

"The thatch brings more respect from women—especially my wife. (That is 28-year-old Lauren Bacall—I call her Betty)."

"The money has brought me worries—bigger income tax demands—and a bigger house."

"When I was given the Oscar for 'African Queen' Danny Kaye said to me: 'Now you're cooked. You'll have to move to that bigger house.'"

"After the Oscar award the receipts of the film jumped 40 percent—and I jumped from my small house to a new mansion which cost me 165,000 dollars." I call it Bogie's Folly.

To Italy

Bogart moves on from London at the end of the month to film "Beat the Devil" in Italy, renewing his successful partnership with John Huston.

As leading lady he will have Jennifer Jones—"I hope we get on well together. I can't stand temperamental leading ladies."

TOP NOTE: What has the hair and the money not done for Bogart? It has not made him arrogant, unlikable, or specially spendthrift (apart from house-buying). "I have not brought any presents for friends in London. I don't believe in giving presents," he said—and offered me a long stick of chewing gum.

POCKET CARTOON

By OSBERT LANCASTER



"Strictly between ourselves, it is women for all those filthy barons' sons, of all kinds! (Have to queue!)"

DORSETS TO TAKE PART IN TRIANGULAR ATHLETIC MEET AT CAROLINE HILL

The 1st Battalion, the Dorset Regiment, have been invited to take part in the friendly athletic meet at Caroline Hill Stadium on Sunday, February 1, with the South China Athletic Association and the Hongkong Amateur Athletic Club.

There will, therefore, only be two competitors aside in the Men's 100, 200 and 400 Metres runs and the High and Low Hurdles.

The HKAAC team for the meeting was selected at a Committee meeting immediately after Sunday's Pentathlon and will be as follows:
100 Metres—Quentin Almas and Eddie Loureiro.
200 Metres—Stephen Xavier and W. L. McCall.

No Decision At Melbourne Conference

Sydney, Australia, Jan. 26.

The Melbourne Conference to try to save the 1955 Olympic Games for Melbourne reached no decision in a four-hour session today and adjourned until February 2.

However, the Melbourne correspondent of the Sydney Morning Herald said a step was taken to hold the Games at Melbourne Cricket Ground instead of Carlton Football Ground, the original site.

The conference, called by Victorian Premier John Cain, was attended by Prime Minister R. G. Menzies and Olympic officials. It was decided the group should meet with Melbourne Cricket Ground representatives on Tuesday to assess the suitability of the stadium.

A conference sub-committee will talk with the MCC trustees and report to the full conference at its meeting next Monday.

"NOTHING MORE CERTAIN"

The Chairman of the MCC trustees, Arthur Calwell, said: "The Games will go to MCC. Nothing is more certain."

The Games Control Committee Chairman, Mr. A. W. Coles, said: "Instead of the Games we now have a bit of argument."

Mr. Avery Brundage, President of the International Olympic Committee, has warned Australians they are in danger of losing the Games unless they quit bickering and begin making concrete plans.

The current hitch arose when a revised estimate for construction of a stadium on the Carlton ground rose from \$2,812,500 to \$4,500,000.

The Victorian Premier ordered an immediate halt on preliminary work. Mr. Cain said the cost of holding the Games at Melbourne Cricket Club would be only a fraction of that for the proposed Carlton Stadium.—Associated Press.

NOTICE

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the 8th Race Meeting 1952/53 to be held on Saturday, 7th February, 1953, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Alexandra House; the Club House, Happy Valley; and the Stables, Shun Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Thursday 29th January, 1953.

By Order,
H. Mian,
Secretary.

NOTICE

THE HONG KONG FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

The Public is hereby informed that the Hong Kong Football Association has not authorised or given permission to any individual or concern to publish programmes in English or to solicit advertisements for inclusion in such programmes in connection with the visits of the Singapore and Australian Teams or any other visiting teams.

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R. M. OMAR,
Secretary.

LEADING JOCKEY



A new and striking picture of Fred Winter, whose brilliant riding over the sticks this season has brought him a considerable number of wins and a lead over all other National Hunt jockeys.—Central Press Photo.

Harold Mayes Talking Sport

Pee Wee Beale Was A Champion, Too

He wasn't a fighter, but he was a champion just the same—in his own right. He conditioned one of the greatest fighters of all time, if not the greatest, so what more could be asked of him?

They laid Pee Wee Beale to rest after a service in New York's Abyssinian Baptist Church recently. The placid trainer, who was always worried as to whether his man should get up too quickly from his bed and damage his heart, had passed on—from a heart attack.

Perhaps his name means nothing to you, although you've certainly heard it—as a member of a "circus." Everyone talked of Sugar Ray Robinson's "circus" when he came to Britain, and everyone cottoned-on to Pee Wee's name, because it seemed so colourful.

But the tall, devout fellow who always stuck closer to Sugar Ray than his own shadow was no circus performer. He was more like the leader of an orchestra.

In a camp where good humour was so abundant that the outsider it may have appeared that chaos always reigned, there was one man whose word was law, and that was Pee Wee.

Certainly no-one would ever have succeeded in driving the retired middleweight champion of the world to do anything. But when the deep voice of Pee Wee boomed: "Say, Rah-bi-son, I think we'd better..." the champ never did anything else.

They golfed together, played the piano and sang and danced together, played "Hearts" and contested "the checker's championship of the world"—draughts to you—a score of times nightly.

I've seen them do it across Europe, here, and in the cool of the evening at Forest Lakes training camp, New Jersey. I've

heard them "quarrel" over a checkers board so that unless you were really in the know you would have thought that blood was going to be spilt.

BUILT ON CONFIDENCE
But it was all good-humoured, the sort of business relationship, so rare in the fight game, because it was built on confidence and mutual admiration.

Pee Wee knew Robby was good, and never hesitated to say so—in the most picturesque phraseology. Ray obviously knew Pee Wee was good, and the association would not have continued so sweetly, since topnotch trainers aren't exactly hard to come by in the States.

Without Pee Wee around, a Robinson training camp would not be the same. There would be something strange about a Sugar Ray fight without him in the corner. Perhaps it's as well the champ has called it a day.

WORRYING SUPPORTERS

There's a good deal of apprehension just now among football and cricket—folk about pools. No, not the sort you and I win thousands of pounds on—in our dreams—but the kind run by supporters' clubs to help to keep their parent bodies ticking over.

A number of county cricket clubs were benefitting substantially from this method of money-raising, operated in various ways as an extension of the old football "doubles" and there is no doubt that some of the large sums Soccer supporters' clubs have been able to pay over have been raised this way.

There's no doubt that there are non-League clubs who have continued to exist solely as a result of this kind of help from their supporters, but they are all worried more than somewhat since the clamp-down came in one part of the country.

South Africa's Gerald Dreyer was rated ninth among the flyweights.

The Philippines' Tenay Camp was rated ninth among the flyweights.

South Africa's Vic Toward was top-rated as the bantamweight challenger.—United Press.

Why? Because they seem to realise that, one way or the

12 ENTRIES RECEIVED FOR THIS YEAR'S INTER-SCHOOL BADMINTON LEAGUE

By "ARGONAUT"

Further progress in the Colony Badminton League was made during the past week, and the whole League is expected to be concluded by the end of February.

The Inter-School League and the Colony Schoolboys' Open Championships to be run by the Hongkong Schools' Sports Association under the auspices of the Hongkong Badminton Association will follow the conclusion of the League and the Colony Junior and Senior Open Championships are expected to commence during the middle of March.

The 1952-1953 Inter-School League, which was won by St. Stephen's College last year, has attracted 12 entries—Clement Middle School, Tsim Hui Middle School, St. Joseph's College, Queen's College, St. Paul's College, Diocesan Boys' School, Hongkong Wah Yan College, St. Stephen's College, New Method College, King's College, La Salle College and Reuben House.

The improvement shown in the standard of the game among schoolboys has been one of the outstanding features of the past months and this year's Inter-School League and Schoolboys' Championships are expected to produce extremely keen competition and a high standard of badminton.

The Colony Schoolboys' Championships will this year be contested in two divisions, Junior and Senior. The Junior division will be limited to boys

of 17 years of age and 5 feet 4 inches in height or under, while the Senior Division will be open to boys who are over 17.

Entries for these Championships are being sent out to all schools and entries will close on February 7, 1953.

LAST NIGHT'S GAMES

A review of the league shows Tytam scoring a crucial win over the hitherto unbeaten Reccolo team in the Men's "C" Doubles Division yesterday.

Ray Kingsford, the Colony cricketer, further enhanced his reputation as an all-round athlete when in partnership with L. C. Wong he won all his three sets to pave the way for Tytam's victory.

A word of praise must be extended to the grand sportsmanship of the Reccolo boys in conceding to the Tytam request of playing Kingsford's pair in three successive games so as to allow him to get back in time for duty.

Although trailing behind by three sets in the Reccolo boys fought back pluckily and levelled the score 3-3 and 4-4.

In the deciding set, A. Rozz and L. Gutierrez, after being 1-3 down in their match against Leo Leong and C. C. Yow, caught up to 13-15 at one stage but fell off after that to concede set and match to Tytam.

In the Senior Mixed Doubles Division, the holders, Chinese YMCA, proved too strong for Craighower, winning all their nine sets, despite game opposition by the Craighower pairs. A special word of praise must be given to Mrs. Yang of Craighower, who, appearing deputised for one of the regular Craighower lady players when that player failed to turn up at the last minute.

As the League tables stand now, Chinese YMCA seem well set to retain both their Men's "A" and Senior Mixed titles.

Strong contenders for Double honours are St. Teresa and Tytam.

St. Teresa is as yet still unbeaten in the Men's "B" and Junior Mixed, while Tytam, who are already assured of the Men's "C", are in a strong position in the Men's "C" Doubles Division.

TODAY'S GAMES
Men's "B" Division
CYMCA v Reccolo (at Jewish Recreation Club).

Mixed Doubles "B" Division
St. Teresa v HKU (at St. Teresa).

THE SCORES

Craighower lost to Chinese YMCA by nine games in a Mixed Doubles "A" Division League Badminton Match last night.

With CCC players named first, the results follow:

K.C. Wong and Miss Stella Correa lost to Patrick Wong and Miss Ulan Khoo 12-21; lost to W.F. Foo and Miss Helen Kwong 15-21.

Wong Hong-chow and Mrs. E. Toke lost to Wong and Miss Khoo 22-21; lost to Wong and Mrs. Chung 15-21; lost to Foo and Miss Kwong 19-21; lost to Fung and Mrs. Yung 15-21; lost to Wong and Miss Khoo 20-21; lost to Wong and Mrs. Chung 15-21; lost to Foo and Miss Kwong 22-21.

Win For Tytam

Tytam beat Club de Reccolo, 5-4, in the Men's "C" Doubles. R. Kingsford and L.C. Wong (Tytam) beat R. Rozz and R. Gutierrez 21-15; best A. Rozz and L. Xavier 21-8.

H.Y. Hul and S. Yui lost to Nunes and Remedios 14-21; lost to Rozz and Xavier 4-21.

Leo Leung and C.C. Yow beat Nunes and Remedios 21-15; lost to Ribeiro and Remedios 17-21; best Rozz and Xavier 21-11.

HOW THEY STAND

Men's "A" Division			
	P	W	L
CYMCA	3	3	0
HKU	3	2	1
Reccolo	3	1	2
CCC	3	0	3

Men's "B" Division			
	P	W	L
St. Teresa	4	4	0
Reccolo	2	1	1
CYMCA	3	1	2
HKU	3	0	3

Men's "C" Division			
	P	W	L
Tytam	10	10	0
Kowloon	11	8	3
Reccolo	11	8	3
CYMCA	8	5	3
CCC	8	5	3
HKU	8	3	5
Police "W"	10	1	9
Police "B"	10	1	9

Men's "C" Doubles Division			
	P	W	L
Tytam	14	13	1
KCOBA	10	8	2
CCC "G"	13	8	5
Reccolo	8	7	1
St. Teresa	8	6	2
CYMCA	5	2	3
CCC "Y"	10	2	8
Union	8	1	7
Nav Bharat	8	0	8
St. John's	4	0	4

Senior Mixed Division			
	P	W	L
CYMCA	2	2	0
Reccolo	1	0	1
CCC	1	0	1

Junior Mixed Division			
	P	W	L
St. Teresa	1	1	0
CYMCA	1	0	1
HKU	0	0	0

Division III (South)			
	P	W	L
Bournemouth	1	1	0
Reccolo	1	0	1
CCC	1	0	1

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S. "ANTIOCHUS"	3rd Feb.	10th Mar.
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"BENALDER"	Kure, Kobe, and Yokohama. 17th Feb.
"BENATTOW"	Direct to Singapore, thence London, Rotterdam and Middlesbrough. 20th Feb.
"BENLEDI"	Direct to Singapore, thence London, Antwerp and Hamburg. 7th Mar.
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Hongkong, January 27, 1953.

Findings To Stay Secret

Washington, Jan. 26. The Senate Investigation Subcommittee, presided over by Republican Senator Joseph McCarthy of Wisconsin, has decided to keep secret its findings on reports that the United States paid very high prices for raw materials from Iron Curtain countries. Senator McCarthy would not give any details on the nature or origin of the materials. The State Department said the United States had not imported any Soviet or satellite country's product worth mentioning since 1950.—France Press.

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BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

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Hongkong, January 27, 1953.

Hard Task Ahead In Rehabilitation Of South Korea

Geneva, Jan. 26.

Sir Arthur Rucker, Deputy Agent of the United Nations Korean Reconstruction Agency, said here today that he believed the economy of South Korea could be put back on a self-supporting basis providing the situation does not worsen.

"But it will take time and a lot of money and nobody can say what will happen in the war."

Sir Arthur Rucker is completing a tour of European capitals, where he has been contacting governments for support of the UNKRA programme.

Now that the situation in Korea had stabilised, the agency had a definite programme whereby it would spend or commit \$70 million between now and the end of June, he said at a Press conference.

The programme included the spending of \$11 million on industrial reconstruction, \$7 million on reconstruction of electrical power, \$7 million on transport and communications, \$5,000,000 on food and agriculture, and \$13 million on health, housing and education.

No LOCAL CAPITAL. In addition, the agency had already spent \$5 million on importing grain into Korea to sell there for local currency to build up a capital reserve for reconstruction.

A further \$9 million would be spent on importing consumer goods for this purpose.

There was no local capital whatsoever for reconstruction, Sir Arthur Rucker said.

Sir Arthur said that Korea was a country with a good agriculture, fishery grounds and important minerals.

He was confident that the \$70 million for the current programme would be forthcoming from United Nations governments.—Reuters.

Pearl King Is 95

Tokyo, Jan. 26. Japan's famous "pearl king", Kichichi Mikimoto, is 95 today but he postponed celebration of the occasion until warmer weather. He had recently been reported seriously ill.—Reuters.

Concert By Waterlight

Bonn, Jan. 26.

A musical water fountain, whose jets of water sway harmoniously with the playing of an orchestra, will be a feature of the International Gardening Exhibition opening in Hamburg on April 30.

The fountain will shoot up water through some 800 nozzles, with coloured searchlights illuminating the water jets from below.

An engineer, sitting at a special instrument board, will "play" the fountain to the music of the nearby orchestra.

Professor Theodor Ebbauer of Hamburg, the fountain's designer, has called his brainchild "Wasserlichtkonzert"—"concert by waterlight".—Reuters.

Relief In Korea

Pusan, Jan. 26.

Dr Arnold B. Vaught, Executive Director of the Church World Service in New York, arrived in Korea yesterday to make an on-the-spot survey of refugee problems.

During his two-week stay in Korea, Dr Vaught will visit orphanages and confer with United Nations relief agencies.—Reuters.

MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN

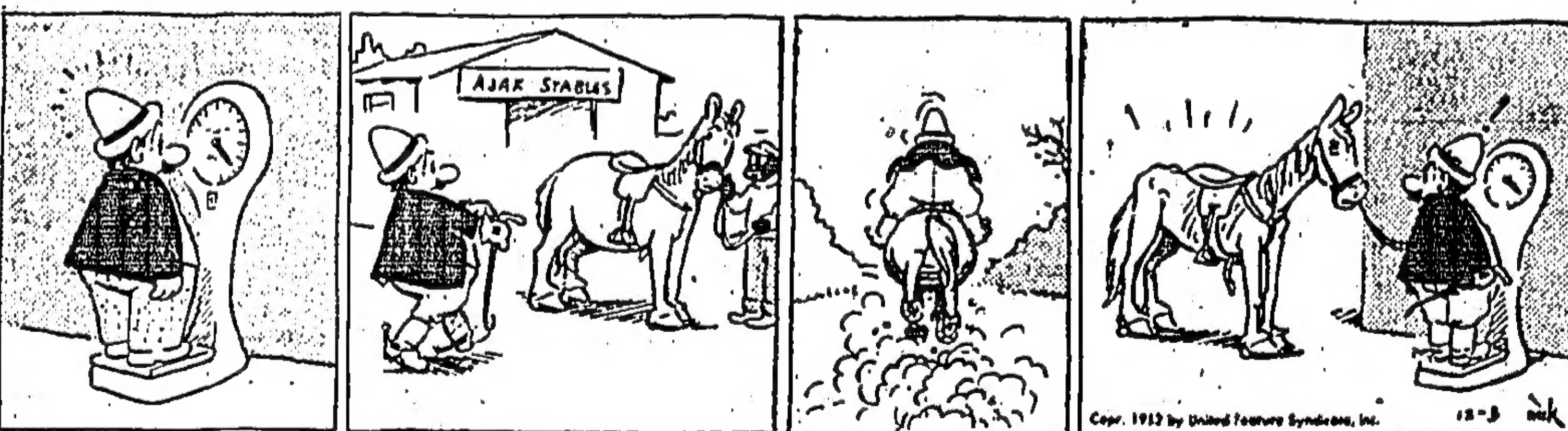
By Lee Falk and Phil Davis



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Outwards	Leaves London	Due Hongkong
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"CHUSAN"	21st February	20th March
"CANTON"	13th March	19th April
"CARTHAGE"	6th April	6th May

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JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK

Good Mark, Bad Mark

HE came from a family of some consequence, and as a younger son was intended for the Army. When he had finished his long, elaborate schooling he was sent to a military academy to learn his trade and to acquire the gloss and polish for which officers of the Regular Army of his country were renowned.

At the military college they taught him the theory and practice of a kind of warfare that long ago went out of fashion, and how to conduct himself on the field of battle and off it. Before his course was half through, real war swamped his country, and rendered everything he had learned about battles obsolete and antique.

Mark, for that was the name of this younger son, was made prisoner and for weary years lay idle in German prison camps. And when at last peace came for him, there was no going home, no taking up the threads of the old life. The iron hand of another foreign power clamped down upon his country.

MARK found his way to England at last, and, aged 33 by then, set about starting a new career. He was given a small grant, and began to work for a science degree. He planned to become a chemical engineer.

It is not so easy, when you are 33 and have spent long years in idleness, to compete for a degree with boys and with men whose brains have never gone stale.

Mark found the going tough, but he got the degree. It might have seemed then that all would have been plain sailing for him—except that he still had to find a job.

That was not so easy, and to ease the anguish of job-hunting, Mark began to drink heavily, which made the task more difficult still, which demanded yet heavier drinking, which made the task...

HE was well caught up in the vicious circle, and presently he began to acquire a criminal record. First, he was bound over for receiving stolen goods; next, he was in trouble for stealing clothes from a fellow-lodger in a hostel. He was put on probation.

The other day, Mark stood in the dock again—on Bow Street. He pleaded guilty to stealing a suit and a pair of shoes from another man who lodged in the hostel where he did.

The story was told to Mr. Bertram Reece, and Mark, in the dock, listened in the attitude of one who has heard it all before, as indeed he had. He is a tall, solidly built man, who looks older than his 38 years.

"I think," said the officer, telling the story, "that his moral standards have collapsed owing to too much rough drink and rough wine."

FURTWÄENGLER BETTER

Vienna, Jan. 26. The famed orchestra conductor, Wilhelm Furtwängler, a victim of Europe's influenza epidemic, was reported much improved today. His doctor said he had spent a quiet night and was free of fever.

OUR AUSTRALIAN NEWSLETTER

Aid To Southeast Asia Countries Showing Results

By H. KING WOOD

Sydney, Jan. 23. Practical results were already beginning to accrue from the extensive aid being given to south and southeast Asian countries under the Colombo Plan, External Affairs Minister Richard Casey told a conference this week.

Mr Casey was Governor of Bengal before he re-entered Australian politics. He said that the United Nations, Britain, United States, Canada, Australia and New Zealand were now all giving essential aid to these countries. This aid now amounted to \$125-million a year, but the full value of it could not be expressed in terms of money.

A wide range of experts had been made available to Asia by all countries taking part in the plan. Also, the International Bank was making large-scale loans for worthwhile projects such as water conservation and irrigation, hydro-electric and transport schemes.

Australia was providing a large number of agricultural tractors and equipment, water pumps, electrical and farm gear and other basic necessities. The assisted countries were very deficient in educational facilities, Mr Casey said. 230 Asians into her universities and technical colleges for free training.

"We have also sent 33 experts to the East to help with internal problems. A special responsibility rests on Australia in all this by reason of our geographical position on the rim of Asia. We have got to get to know the governments and peoples of the countries of south and southeast Asia—to learn their problems and to be foremost in showing kindness and enthusiasm in an effort to help them."

Magistrate (in a Brisbane court) what were you arguing about? Wife: About his Big Three as usual. Magistrate: And what might be his Big Three? Wife: Wine, women and himself.

THE 1956 OLYMPICS Unless those people in Melbourne charged with conducting the next Olympic Games pull up their socks and get down to serious business the International Olympic Committee is going to give the Games to some other country and it will be many a long year before we get them back again.

And after the awful mess we have made of the preliminary organising in the last 18 months, the head body has every excuse for changing the location. Last May we were given one ultimatum over the question of a site; now comes the bombshell that all work on the stadium has been stopped on the score of expense.

Fedling throughout Australia is something far bigger than politics and that it is time the Federal Government moved in, took the matter out of the hands of sporting bodies and local government authorities and appointed a staff of experts to get on with the job. General opinion, too, is that the question of money should be the last excuse to hold up the work.

There is a feeling in high quarters that already it is too late and that within the next week or so another country will be named as the host for 1956.

If that happens it will be a crying shame for properly conducted the Olympics could be one of the greatest events in Australia's history.

Footnote: Chairman of the Olympic Games Organising Committee in Melbourne, Mr A. W. Coles, has received a letter containing £5. The letter read: "bet you this to a pork sausage that the Gander won't be staged in Melbourne in 1956 or ever."

Mr Coles replied: "Thanks for the donation. I won't be needing the pork sausage."

All of Australia can only hope that Mr Coles is right. JAPANESE DIVERS Pearlers at Broome, Western Australia, expect Japanese divers back in the industry next month for the first time since the war.



Efforts are made to dig this car out of one of the deep drifts at Bardonecchia in Northern Italy, after the heaviest snowfall of the winter.—London Express.

Breach Of Contract Claim: Judgment For Plaintiffs

Following the conclusion of addresses by Counsel before the Senior Puisne Judge, Mr Justice E. H. Williams, in the Supreme Court this morning, his Lordship gave judgment for the Plaintiffs in the sum of \$17,277.50 in a claim for damages for alleged breach of contract for the supply of 1,800 dozen electric torch casings.

Plaintiffs were the Everlight (otherwise known as the Everlight) Manufacturing Company, of No. 1 Tai Hang Street, Shaukiwan, torch manufacturers. They were represented by Mr Charles E. Leach, QC, instructed by Hastings and Co.

Defendants were H. J. Hing and Brothers, of 47 Pottinger Street, importers and exporters, for whom Mr S. V. Gillins, instructed by F. Zimmern and Co., appeared.

Plaintiffs claimed damages arising out of the alleged breach by the Defendants of a contract in writing dated August 3, 1950, whereby the Defendants undertook to take delivery of or buy 1,800 dozen Everlight torches sold to them by the Plaintiffs.

THE CONTRACT The contract, according to the Plaintiffs, was worth \$37,800, and Defendants paid a deposit of \$4,000. Defendants undertook to take delivery of the torches on or before the end of August, 1950, and to pay for them on delivery. It was an implied term of the contract that Defendants would notify Plaintiffs within the terms of the contract of the time and place of delivery.

Plaintiffs alleged that Defendants requested 600 dozen torches to be ready for delivery on board a ship on August 15, 1950, but the date was later varied and eventually delivery was postponed indefinitely. Plaintiffs claimed they tried to get instructions for delivery of the whole contract, but were put off from time to time by the Defendants.

Defendants' case was that Plaintiffs failed to make delivery of the 1,800 dozen torch cases ordered and had only delivered 600 dozen and no more on August 15, and further alleged the Plaintiffs were not ready and not willing to deliver the balance by the end of August.

Defendants filed a counter claim in which they sought the return of \$4,000 paid as deposit to the Plaintiffs. WHOLE ORDER PLEA Mr Gillins submitted that Defendants asked for delivery of the whole order in one lot as he had sub-sold the goods to buyers in Bogotá in Colombia, South America, and did not want 600 dozen only on August 15. For the Plaintiffs to succeed, said Counsel, they must satisfy the Court that they were ready to deliver the whole order within contract time.

JAPANESE REPATRIATION TEAM HERE

Leaving For Canton Today

A 13-member Japanese delegation on their way to China to make final arrangements for the repatriation of Japanese nationals back to Japan arrived here by air this morning.

The delegation, headed by Mr Tadatsugu Shimazu, President of the Japanese Red Cross Society, will leave for Canton by train this afternoon.

In a statement to the Press, Mr Shimazu said: "We are going to enter the territory of the People's Republic of China in order to talk on the repatriation problem of Japanese nationals in China. We shall do our best for the settlement of this problem which has long been pending for our countrymen."

The leader said that the delegation is composed of the Japanese Red Cross Society, the Japanese Peace Liaison Committee for the Asian and Pacific Region, Japan-China Friendship Association and Mrs. Tomi Kora, a member of the Japanese House of Counsellors in which membership are expressed the spirits of humanity, peace and friendship. The speaker said that they are convinced that the above spirits are the very basis for satisfactory settlement of the repatriation problem.

The fact he said, that the Chinese Red Cross Society has asked our three organisations to constitute a joint delegation, and that they have offered all possible facilities for entering China and also that the Government of the People's Republic is supporting the delegation, we still more firmly convinced that our mission will be satisfactorily fulfilled and, in consequence, it will contribute to final Japanese friendship and world peace.

CHINESE WIVES Mrs. Kora said that Chinese wives of Japanese nationals will be allowed in the repatriation. Regarding the question of Chinese husbands of Japanese wives, she said: "This is a problem." However, she added, they will not be included in the repatriation scheme.

Asked about Koreans and Formosans, she replied: "They will definitely be excluded." Mrs. Kora said that there are at present 30,000 Japanese nationals, mostly technicians, in China working for the reconstruction of China.

Mr Kora concluded by saying that subjects in the repatriation will be the date of repatriation, what Chinese port will be available for Japanese ships to take away the repatriates, and the question of food while awaiting repatriation. The most probable route will be from Hienia to Tsuruga.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR 'Down Memory Lane' Decision Sir—Owing to public demand, Miss Aileen Woods' programme "Down Memory Lane" will be resumed by Radio Hongkong after Miss Woods has taken a well earned holiday, which will start at the end of this month. J. L. MURRAY, Public Relations Officer.

2 YEARS FOR WATCH THEFT

For stealing a gold Rolex watch from Cheung Yung-mun, on January 26 at Wanahai, a 25-year-old unemployed newspaper hawker, Ho Lim, of 22 Queen's Road East, second floor, was sentenced to two years imprisonment by Mr R. W. S. Winter at Central today.

The defendant, who pleaded guilty, said that his wife had just given birth and was ill at the time, and he was forced to commit the offence.

Inspector H. M. Dey prosecuted. Union Waterboat Dividends At the forthcoming yearly meeting of the Union Waterboat Company, Limited, the Consulting Committee will recommend the payment of a dividend of \$2 per share, free of tax, on the "Old" shares and \$1 per share, free of tax, on the "Bonus" shares out of the profits of the financial year ended December 31, 1952.

Living Language

Why we say Gibberish. This word may be thought to belong to the same family as "gab," "gabble," and "jabber." This is however strong reason to think that it comes from Geber, the name of an Arabian alchemist of the 11th century. To avoid charges of magic (which, if proved, would have ended in his being burnt alive) he used a mystical jargon which was "gibberish" to everyone but himself and his disciples.

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TUESDAY, JANUARY 27 By Air

Indo-China, France, French North & West Africa, 4.30 p.m., Air Vietnam. Philippines, Guam, Hawaii, U.S.A., Canada, 5 p.m., P.A.C. Malaya, Ceylon, Siam, Burma, Pakistan, Middle East, Great Britain, Europe, 6 p.m., B.O.A.C. By Surface

Manila, 9 a.m.; 6 p.m., as Lee Hong/Tak Shing. Philippines, 3 p.m., as Buchanan. WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28 By Air

Formosa, Japan, 9 a.m., via C.A.T. Siam, Malaya, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand, 4.30 p.m., C.P.A. Formosa, Okinawa, U.S.A. (New York), Canada, 6 p.m., H.K.A./N.W.A.A. Japan, 6 p.m., B.O.A.C. By Surface

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SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Oh, we'd have to have two bathrooms—Junior has some submarines and a turtle!"

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